



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20463

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VIA FAX (202-639-8974) AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

Raymond Strother
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RE: MUR 4818

Dear Mr. Strother:

The Federal Election Commission has the statutory duty of enforcing the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. It has come to our attention that Strother, Duffy, Strother, Ltd. may have information that will assist the Commission in a confidential investigation it is conducting. Specifically, it is reported that you provided services to Walt Roberts, a 1998 candidate for Oklahoma's Third Congressional district and his authorized political committee, Walt Roberts for Congress. Accordingly, the Office of General Counsel requests that you voluntarily identify and submit all documents related to services you provided to Walt Roberts for Congress and Walt Roberts from July-September, 1998, including but not limited to memoranda, contracts, agreements, checks, invoices, purchase orders, notes, correspondence, (including documents stored or generated on computer, e.g. e-mail).

The Commission does not consider you a respondent in this matter, but rather a witness only. Because this information is being sought as part of an investigation being conducted by the Commission, the confidentiality provision of 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12)(A) applies. That section prohibits making public any investigation conducted by the Commission without the express written consent of the person with respect to whom the investigation is made. You are advised that no such consent has been given in this case.

This Office requests that you voluntarily provide this information within twenty days of your receipt of this request. If you have any questions or would like to discuss this in more detail, please call me at (202) 694-1650. If you do not intend to comply with this request, please notify us right away.

Sincerely,


Xavier K. McDonnell
Attorney